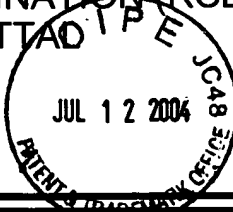


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Art Unit	2871
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- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Combined Amendment & EOT (3-Months)

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- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed 08 January 2004 in the above-captioned application, and is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, in fulfillment of the requirement for a submission. Favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of all rejections is kindly requested in light of the following amendments and accompanying remarks. Please amend the application as follows.

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